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SUBJ: W/W REPORT AS OF 0930 LOCAL TIME

REF: DAR ES SALAAM 1577

1. MR. DEREK BRYCESON, DIRECTOR OF TANZANIAN PARK SERVICE
AND HUSBAND OF DR. GOODALL, FLEW TO KIGOMA YESTERDAY (TUESDAY)
AND HAS REPORTED FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

A. THE ARMED PARTH WHICH KIDNAPPED THE THREE AMERICAN AND ONE
DUTCH STUDENTS CLAIMED TO BE FROM ZAIRE AND WORE UNIFORMS.
MR. BRYCESON DID NOT HAVE A DESCRIPTION OF THE UNIFORMS BUT
PROMISED TO SUPPLY A DESCRIPTION LATER.

B. THE PARTY WAS ARMED WITH MACHINE GUNS, RIFLES AND
PISTOLS.

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C. THE WHEREABOUTS OF THE PARTY AND THE CAPTIVES IS UNKNOWN.

D. TANZANIAN OFFICIALS ARE PRESENTLY ATTEMPTING TO ARRANGE CONTACT WITH THE ARMED PARTY TO DETERMINE THE REASON FOR THE KIDNAPPING AND BEGIN NEGOTIATIONS FOR RELEASE.

E. THERE ARE NO COMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES AT GOMBE WHICH IS ABOUT THIRTY MILES NORTH OF KIGOMA ON LAKE TANGANYIKA. ACCESS TO GOMBE POSSIBLE ONLY BY ROAT. MESSAGES MUST BE HAND-CARRIED TO KIGOMA FROM GOMBE IN ORDER TO REOAY INFORMATION.

2. MR. BRYCESON ASKS THAT STANFORD UNIVERSITY BE NOTIFIED THAT THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS ARE UNHARMED RPT UNHARMED AND WILL BE LEAVING THE GOMBER AREA AS SOON AS TRANSPORTATION CAN BE ARRANGED: LARRY GOLDMAN; GREG PACKER; HELEN NEELY; SUSAN LOEB; EMILY POLIS; JIM BAUGH; ANN PIERCE; PHYLLIS LEE; MICHELLE TRUDEAU; AND JOAN SILK. IN ADDITION, THE FOLLOWING UNITED KINGDOM CITIZENS ARE UNHARMED: TONY COLLINS; JULIETTE OLIVER; AND ANN PUSEY. THE LOCAK UK HIGH COMMISSION HAS BEEN NOTIFIED. CARTER UNQUOTE

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